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AVON PARK, FLORIDA

Friday night
April 9, 1943

Dear Sister,

This is just immediately after the phone call. - I just remembered what I wanted to tell you - or rather, as usually is the case - to ask you. - Due to the situation - I might not be able to communicate back + forth so as to take care of birthdays, - Easter, + etc. - so would you please take care of these items in my behalf? - You probably would without my asking or referring to it ever - but I just thought I might go thru the formality of asking. ha! -

I won't attempt to finish this now - wanted to get that much down while I thought of it. - I'll finish this later - g'nite.

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Tuesday night
April 13, 1943

Boy, I didn't think it would be this long before I finished this! - and really - I guess I have nothing to add.

We got "our" plane yesterday - so today has been quite a full day - loading - weighing - and taking a short cross-country trip to determine the gas consumption of each engine.

Guess where we went on the cross-country - Up to Raleigh + back! - Yep - even a bit north of there, in fact. - I thought I saw Alva's + Lolita's house - am quite positive in fact - but having only been there once I hesitated to buzz. - Had it been my own ship I would probably have set the country side on one ear - but as it was - we passed very sedately over at 2500 ft. Didn't get over as far east as Kinston. We went up by Fayetteville, Dunn, etc. -

Got a letter from Brother today - He seemed to have been in very chipper spirits when he wrote - so it was quite a master-piece. - He spoke of his coming vacation and was looking forward to it. - And who wouldn't?

This is probably the last of the "Paul series" so you may act accordingly. - I got your brownies - and after eating enough to make me ashamed of myself - I turned the rest over to him. - Of course I sneak over once in a while and turn into an "Indian Giver"!

Ask Mama if she remembers the trip George Webb took on the cattle boat one summer - Me too maybe. -

As yet no A.P.O. - We should have gotten it before we got here - but someone missed the boat somewhere. - Here, they tell us we will get it at our next post! - Just our luck to get away without any! -

Well, bye for now + be good -

Love,

Frank